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### Terrorism

Though global terrorism is on the rise, there is some good news, and that is that terrorism by Europeans has been in sharp decline since the 70s. European terrorists have always had at least some rationality, and they have tended not to maximize the number of deaths in their acts, because they knew that would not be good for their popularity. IRA bombings have ceased and ETA bombings have become smaller. And the Rote Armee Faction and the Italian Death brigades have pretty much disappeared. Arab terrorists are less susceptible to rational reasoning, because they have no political cause and have only an ideology that promotes killing as many Jews, Christians, and nonbelievers, as their holy book clearly advocates. Well, at some point they will change as well, because there is a tendency of humans in the end to want Western values of freedom and prosperity because they are universal values, and so the Arabs will eventually understand that. I just hope it doesn't take 100 years. But events in countries like Iran are promising nonetheless.

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